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The Chat is an excellent yearbook. Not only is it carefully edited and handsomely produced, but it has some touches which give it individuality, such as the names of the parents of the seniors to whom the book is dedicated.

The title page is good except for the photograph of the school which seems to have too much light on the right end. Senior pictures are good, the pages on which they appear are well arranged, and the descriptive lines seem natural and meaningful. It is wise, I think, to include the awards on page 19 and the names of the upper ten members of the graduating class, but I wonder about the class will, prophecy, *What Would Happen if....*, etc. The listing of the glee club appearances is a good touch, and so is the Highlights of the Year. Larger pictures and captions might have improved the snapshot page. The glee club picture is excellently conceived, but the other group pictures are routine. The text is excellent.

A effective and excellent annual which is expensive but worth its cost.

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Dedication

We lovingly dedicate this book to our parents,
that it may be a token of our appreciation and
lasting affection for their lives of devoted interest
and generous sympathy. May we fulfill their
hopes and follow their examples of unselfish
service, love and right living.

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CLASS MOTTO: "*In Ourselves Our Future Lies.*"



MILDRED J. OWEN SHIRLEY MCGHEE MRS. ARTHUR DE PONCEAU DONNA SPEAR RICHARD J. WATSON

TOMORROW IS OURS

Beyond today awaits the morrow—
 Brightness and joy; darkness and sorrow;
 A struggle for life, or one of ease;
 Loneliness to avoid; love to seize.
 Success and failure; work and play:
 These things will come, after today
 The challenge of the future, before us towers
 To meet and accept, for tomorrow is ours.

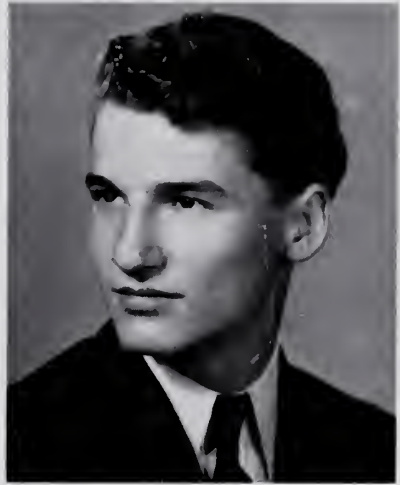
Senior Class

CLYDE DEWEY BOSWELL

"Juicy"

Laughing, gay, then again serious, adjusting to all occasions adequately.

'44, Hi-Y Club, Baseball Team. '45-'47, Baseball Team, Basketball Team. '47, Sports Editor of Annual.



DEWEY ELMORE BRYANT

"Rabbit"

You'll like this one—laughter, a prank or two, yet tenacity and earnestness that is admirable.

'45, 4-H Club.

DORIS MAE BULLINGTON

"Molly"

Sweet and attractive with a lively disposition.

'44-'46, Home Economics Club. '46, Typing Club.



Senior Class



BELVODEAN ALICE CROCKER

"Dean"

A storehouse of facts already, but untiring in her efforts to master knowledge.

'44-'45, Library Club. '45-'46, Glee Club. '46, Typing.

GLENDA LEE DAVIDSON

"Glen"

Best friend ever; even tempered, contributing to all with a smile.

'44-'45, Library Club. '45-'47, Glee Club. '46, Typing Club.



JANIE JO ELMORE

"Jo"

Sunny personality with a trim of wit that is both clever and refreshing.

'44, President of Freshman Class, '44-'47, Glee Club, Basketball Team, Hi-Y Club. '46, Secretary of Junior Class, Dramatics Club. '47, President of Hi-Y Club, Co-captain of Basketball Team.



Senior Class

HERMAN WADE GATEWOOD

"Cookie"

Aloof, yet friendly, dignity and strength of character, threaded with humor.

'46-'47, Basketball Team.



HENRY ELLICE GILES

"Judge"

Gifted hands that interpret with rare understanding, as if he were the muse of music.

'45, Assistant School Pianist. '46-'47, Accompanist for Glee Club. '47, Circulation Manager of Annual.

RICHARD LOUIS HARRIS

"Mortimer"

Quick ever-flowing conversation, prompted with a desire for knowledge.

'47, Entered from Hargrave Military Academy.



Senior Class



SHIRLEY THOMAS HEDRICK

"Tee"

"A pretty girl's looks are all his books, and nothing have they taught him."

'46-'47 Basketball Team.

BETTE MAE JONES

"Jones"

A friend when one needs her most; thoughtful, helpful, and willing.

'44-'47 Basketball Team. '44-'46 Dramatics Club.
'46, Vice-President of Junior Class. '46-'47 Glee Club.



SHIRLEY MAE KIDD

"Kid"

Frank, outspoken in manner and speech.

'44, Library Club. '46, Typing Club.



Senior Class

CLARA REBECCA LEWIS

"Belle"

True to herself; true to her friends; true to her duty always.

'44-'45 Library Club.



RUTH HILDRED MARTIN

"Lefty"

A quiet person, yet always ready for fun.

'46, Entered from Dan River, Home Economics Club.

SHIRLEY MAVIS MCGHEE

"Gee"

Dates, music and flowers play their part with this slender business woman.

'44, Softball Team. '44-'45, Glee Club. '45-'46, Dramatics Club. '45-'47, Basketball Team. '46, Treasurer of Junior Class, Softball Team. '47, Secretary of Senior Class, Program Chairman of Hi-Y Club, Honorary Vice-President of Danville Fair, Co-Captain of Basketball Team, Editor of Annual.



Senior Class



DOROTHY ANN MOTLEY

"Dottee"

Such a friend we like to have—happy, good-natured, and never sad.

'45, Dramatics Club. '45-'47 Glee Club. '47, Assistant Business Manager of Annual.

GRACIE VERNON MOTLEY

"Gracy"

Quiet sincerity in her wistful smile; intelligence in her honest eyes.

'44-'45 Glee Club. '44-'46 Softball Team. '46, Typing Club, Latin Club.



MARIE FRANCES OSBORNE

"Foe"

A ready smile in contrast with her quiet, commanding dignity.

'44-'45, 4-H Club.



Senior Class

MILDRED JANE OWEN

"Midge"

A competent leader, an alert student, and a happy person.

'44, Class Historian, '44-'45, Library Club, '44-'46, 4-H Club. '45-'47, Hi-Y Club. '46, Latin Club, Typing Club. '47, President of Senior Class, Glee Club.



CHARLOTTE ELIZABETH PIGG

"Pig"

Alive brown eyes, eloquently speaking of a friendly interest in everything.

'44-'45, Library Club. '44-'46, Softball Team, Home Economics Club. '45-'46, Typing Club. '45-'47, Basketball Team. '47, Assistant Sports Editor of Annual.

ELIZABETH ANNE RIDDLE

"Betsy"

Gifted with a keen mind and an even-tempered disposition.

'44, Basketball Team, '44-'46, Typing Club, '44-'47, 4 H Club. '47, Vice-President of 4-H Club. '46-'47, Glee Club.



Senior Class

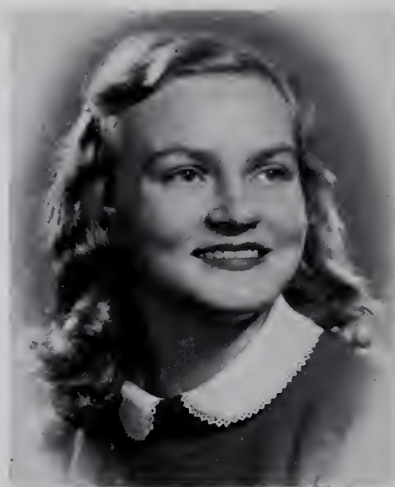


TOMMIE FRANCES SEAY

"Tommy"

Talented, fair, the friend of everyone.

'44, Dramatics Club. '45-'47, Hi-Y Club, Glee Club.
'46, Latin Club, Typing Club. '47, Treasurer of Hi-Y Club.



BILLIE ANNE SHORTER

"Willie"

A combination of all the fine traits, her life she lives quietly and joyously.

'44-'47 Glee Club. '46, Latin Club. '47, Hi-Y Club.



HENRY THOMAS SOURS

"Skin"

Plenty of work, a good sport, and some play, too.

'43-'44, Hi-Y Club. '45-'47, Basketball Team. '47,
Honorary Vice-President of Danville Fair.

Senior Class

DONNA GAIL SPEAR

"Spurs"

Sunny in disposition, friendly in manner; and seldom do we see her frown.

'45, Entered from Moundsville, W. Va. Vice-President of Sophomore Class. '46, Glee Club, Dramatics Club, Manager of Girls' Basketball Team, Hi-Y Club. '47, Treasurer of Senior Class, Vice-President of Hi-Y Club, Business Manager of Annual.



PHEBE ANNE TOWLER

"Pat"

Attractive and likeable, cordial in manner.

'44-'45, Library Club. '46, Latin Club.

RICHARD JACKSON WATSON

"Foots"

To study or not to study, that is his question.

'44, President of Freshman Class. '45, Secretary of Sophomore Class. '45-'46, Dramatics Club. '45-'47, Basketball Team, Baseball Team. '46, President of Junior Class. '47, Vice-President of Senior Class, Captain of Basketball Team, Assistant Editor of Annual.



*CHARLIE LESTER CRADDOCK—Entered after Christmas. '47, 4-H Club.

Class History

Four years have passed since a group of timid freshmen entered Chatham High School. From the time we scurried through these halls to this moment, there is little to regret, and much to be proud of: namely, our contributions to sports, our scholarship, and our achievements.

The first day of our freshman year we came to school very unsure of ourselves, groping hesitantly, exploring the field of our high school education before us. Mr. Myers, the new principal, was also experiencing his first day at C. H. S. We gave him a hearty welcome and found consolation in the knowledge that he was "new here, too."

We were less fortunate than the freshman class preceding us, for we had not "sampled" a high school day. The boys received a very "warming" reception at the back door, while the girls entered the front door, meek and filled with fear. "Rat Week" (exclusively a feminine activity) must have been an amusing affair for the upper classmen! How we suffered in the realization that we were actually as stupid as the costumes we wore!

We entered our Sophomore year with visions of future accomplishments in view. No longer "rats," we began to feel a part of the school. We elected Heath Light as our president. Many members were active in various activities of the school.

Our Junior year Dick Watson was president. We worked diligently to secure funds for the Junior-Senior Banquet in the spring. We presented several plays during the year, directed by Mr. William Ellis Jones. From these plays we were proud to present "Well, Of All the Nerve," written by Shirley McGhee. This play won first place honors and praise for the author and cast at the state contest in Charlottesville, May 2, 1946. For the first time in many years, we had a Glee Club, directed by Mrs. Arthur de Ponceau. We worked with Mrs. de Ponceau and the Glee Club girls when they presented "The Castaways," an operetta, one of the big hits of the year. With the proceeds from this operetta and from other sources, we climaxed the year by honoring the Seniors at the Country Club, Danville, Virginia.

Now, we have reached the climax, the crowning glory! We have achieved the goal of Seniors. For class officers this year we have chosen Mildred Jane Owen, president; Dick Watson, vice-president; Shirley McGhee, secretary; and Donna Spear, treasurer. We also elected the annual staff and immediately began to work on the CHAT. Our first concern was financing this book. Therefore, with Mrs. de Ponceau as faculty director and Mildred Owen as student director, we sponsored a Harvest Festival, on November 2. It proved to be one of the most successful events of the school fall.

Now as we near the completion of our high school days and prepare for graduation, we glance retrospectively over our school years: teachers we had, extra-curricular activities we enjoyed, lessons we learned, tests we failed, hopes we nourished, games we lost, praise we deserved, minutes we stayed in, and a thousand lingering reminiscences. We feel a mixed emotion of sadness and joy; thankfulness and regret; and offer a prayer to God, that success may follow us "all the days of our lives."

MILDRED JANE OWEN, *Class Historian*.

Last Will and Testament

We, the Senior Class of 1947, professing sane minds, do hereby, with due regret, express definitely and clearly our last will and testament.

ARTICLE 1. We, the Senior Class, leave the Senior Home-Room equipped with a modern, collapsible life-raft for speedy rescues on rainy days.

ARTICLE 2. We, the members of the class, make the following bequeaths:

1. Belvodean Crocker bequeaths her government notes to Miss Shelton.
2. Doris Bullington bestows her studious attitude upon Martha Mustain.
3. Glenda Davidson auctions her absence slips to anyone who can't get to school on Monday morning.
4. Bette Jones takes leave of Onyx Crider with a tear in her eye and a lump in her throat.
5. Dottee Motley just leaves—You've heard that popular song, "Where There's Smoke There's Dottee."
6. Mildred Jane Owen wills her title of the "Most Likely to Succeed" to anyone who thinks he can live up to it.
7. Richard Harris forsakes his sense of humor to Jane Self.
8. Jo Elmore relinquishes a lesson in graceful walking and quiet speech to "Della Mae."
9. After five years, Shirley Kidd departs.
10. Donna Spear bequeaths a portion of her jovial disposition to Mr. Lynch.
11. Henry Sours wills his prize cow to Carl Lewis.
12. Billie Anne Shorter delivers some of her seriousness to Peggy Hill.
13. Shirley McGhee leaves her voice to next year's basketball team.
14. Tommie Frances Seay gives part of her shyness to Phyllis Crider.
15. Ellice Giles abandons his interest in school work to C. C. Rowles.
16. Elmore Bryant sells his Charles Atlas equipment to Billy Overbey.
17. Dick Watson auctions off his method of getting his homework to anyone who thinks it's worth the price.
18. Clyde Boswell expresses his sympathy to all boys who can't be handsome.
19. Shirley Hedrick gives his knowledge of astronomy to Mr. Myers.
20. Betty Pigg bestows her wit upon Ann Marion.
21. Betsy Riddle gladly bequeaths her appetite to Joanne Utley.
22. Charlie Craddock leaves his knowledge of how to be a successful farmer to Page Watson.
23. Gracie Motley presents her athletic abilities to Betty Beamer.
24. Phebe Towler leaves, taking her secret of how to handle the opposite sex with her.
25. Herman Gatewood passes on his "little black book" to Earl Dalton.
26. Marie Osborne catalogues her own special method of "how to keep curls on rainy days" for the future cosmetologists of Chatham High.
27. Ruth Martin relinquishes her love for the cook book and sewing machine to Mrs. Bryant.
28. Clara Lewis wills her giggle to Alice Spear.

ARTICLE 3. We, the Senior Class of '47, express to the faculty our sincere gratitude and appreciation for their instruction, interest, and guidance.

ARTICLE 4. We, the Senior Class of '47, depart from Chatham High School, leaving it our best wishes for the future.

BILLIE ANNE SHORTER
BETTE JONES

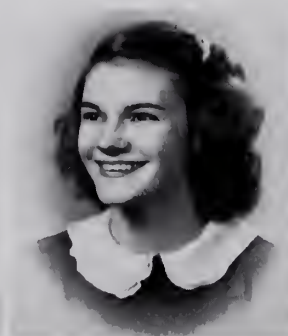
WHO'S WHO



CLYDE BOSWELL
Most Athletic
Most Popular
Best Looking



CHARLOTTE E. PIGG
Most Athletic
Prettiest



DONNA SPEAR
Wittiest



SHIRLEY HEDRICK
Most Versatile
Wittiest



MILDRED J. OWEN
Most Likely to Succeed
Most Popular



ELMORE BRYANT
Best All-Round



SHIRLEY MCGHEE
Best All-Round
Neatest



ELLICE GILES
Most Likely to Succeed
Most Talented



ELIZABETH ANNE RIDDLE
Most Versatile



JANIE JO ELMORE
Most Talented



HERMAN GATEWOOD
Neatest

Honor Plaque

Scholarship . . . Loyalty . . . Achievement

1947—ELMORE BRYANT

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D. A. R. Good Citizenship Medal

Dependability . . . Service . . . Leadership . . . Patriotism

1947—MILDRED JANE OWEN

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Whitehead English Medal

Outstanding Achievement in English

1947—ELIZABETH PIGG

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Ranking of the Upper Ten Members of the Graduation Class

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| ELMORE BRYANT | 94.25 |
| BELVODEAN CROCKER | 94.00 |
| ELIZABETH PIGG | 93.87 |
| MILDRED J. OWEN | 93.33 |
| GRACIE MOTLEY | 92.70 |
| ELLICE GILES | 92.31 |
| JANIE JO ELMORE | 92.11 |
| SHIRLEY MCGHEE | 91.94 |
| BILLIE ANN SHORTER | 91.77 |
| RUTH MARTIN | 91.17 |

Class Prophecy

MAY 30, 1957.

DEAR GLENDA,

I read in the Charlottesville paper yesterday that you and Howell have just returned from a trip abroad. I guess you are glad to get back to your home and Howell will probably be needed at his business. I thought maybe you would like to know about the members of our Senior Class of '47. Since you have been traveling so much these ten years I know you have not been able to keep up with them.

Clyde Boswell, who was better known as "Juicy," lives up to his nickname and is now President of the Juicy Fruit Chewing Gum Company.

Elmore Bryant is now a professor of government at the University of Virginia; at least, Miss Shelton had one student who absorbed enough government from her class to amount to something.

Belvodean Crocker, who has been employed at Whitehead's Department Store, is now manager of the candy counter.

Janie Jo Elmore is living in Manila with her husband, Johnny Nauman, the famous band leader.

Herman Gatewood, after ten years of chasing blondes, has at last been captured by a cute little brunette who calls him "Cookie."

Ellice Giles, a former piano student of Mrs. de Ponceau, has achieved success and is now conductor of the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

Dottee Motley has become famous in opera and is currently singing in the Metropolitan Opera.

Shirley Hedrick is employed as a mechanic, but still finds time on week-ends to chase the blondes at Spring Garden.

Bette Jones is now very successful in dramatics, and plays a leading role in a current show on Broadway.

Tommy Seay, who loved pretty clothes so well when she was in high school, is modeling clothes on Fifth Avenue, New York.

Billie Ann Shorter and Billy Marilla are married and live in Colorado, where Billy is a Major in the Armed Forces.

Henry Sours is Editor-in-Chief of the 4-H paper. Ruth Martin is his secretary.

Donna Spear is making use of the hope chest which she started her Senior Year at CHS.

Phebe Towler had so many boy friends that she couldn't make up her mind; so she is still single.

Dick Watson, after having so much trouble with his feet, has decided to become a chiropodist and all I can add is that he is still in college.

Charlie Craddock is now Supervisor of the Agriculture Department and has made many improvements in the methods.

Shirley Kidd, who was always a good student in Mrs. Crews' shorthand class, is married and has a lot of little brief forms running around.

Richard Harris is riding around the country and still is "El Lobo Solo."

Gracie Motley still eats as much as she did in high school and opened a restaurant. Doris Bullington is cashier.

Shirley McGhee has reached her goal. She is the sports writer with *Life* Magazine. Ervis Hall is circulating manager AND he circulates.

Marie Osborne is teaching Home Economics at Madison and Clara Lewis is a dietitian.

Mildred Owen, after completing four years at Mary Baldwin College and two years at Richmond Seminary, is now a successful religious director in Korea.

Betty Pigg's cute jokes at last have amounted to something. She is a comedy actress on Broadway.

Last and least (?) of the Seniors of '46-'47, I'm in the same ole' rut.

Always,

GLENDA DAVIDSON
BETSY RIDDLE

BETSY.

We wonder what would happen if . .

BELVODEAN CROCKER got to school on time?

DORIS BULLINGTON yelled loudly?

BILLIE ANNE SHORTER received no letters?

MILDRED JANE OWEN lost all her friends?

SHIRLEY MCGHEE was not "in on everything?"

BETTE JONES displayed interest in class?

BETSY RIDDLE received no Floridian thrills?

PHEBE TOWLER had no dates?

ELMORE BRYANT gave no good argument to "stump" Miss Shelton?

GRACIE MOTLEY made an F?

MR. MYERS did not trust HENRY SOURS?

TOMMIE SEAY ceased to worry about her Latin?

HERMAN GATEWOOD's bold flattery failed to get him good grades from Miss Shelton?

RICHARD HARRIS knew what he argued about?

RUTH MARTIN had no Home Economics project?

BETTY PIGG asked a sensible question?

DONNA SPEAR lost her intelligent look?

GLENDA DAVIDSON had no week-ends to "live for?"

DICK WATSON did his homework?

ELLICE GILES lost his musical ability?

DOTTEE MOTLEY became the "most unpopular" person?

CLARA LEWIS spoke aloud in class?

CLYDE BOSWELL had no mischief in the offing?

SHIRLEY HEDRICK could not go to Spring Garden?

MARIE OSBORNE came to school with straight hair?

SHIRLEY KIDD behaved in government class?

CHARLIE CRADDOCK lost his love for farm life?

The Philippine Islands were as near JO ELMORE as H. M. A.?

A. C. HALL came back?

DONNA SPEAR

CLYDE BOSWELL.

| NAME | IS— | CHIEF SAYING | PASTIME | FAVORITE SONG |
|-------------------------|----------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Clyde Boswell | athletic | "Well, deliver me!" | shooting pool | Choo-choo-ch'-Boogie |
| 2. Elmore Bryant | intelligent | "I'll be dog-gone—" | playing ball | Ole Buttermilk Sky |
| 3. Charlie Craddock | industrious | "Is that so?" | going to N. C. | I Can't Begin To Tell You |
| 4. Herman Gatewood | moody | "I'll bet." | driving | Choo-choo-ch'-Boogie |
| 5. Ellice Giles | musical | "Dad-blame-it." | playing the piano | The Old Lamplighter |
| 6. Richard Harris | indifferent | (Censored) | designing??? | The Gypsy |
| 7. Shirley Hedrick | flirty | "Slip closer." | working | I'd Be Lost Without You |
| 8. Henry Sours | energetic | "Dog-gone it." | making calls | Five Minutes More |
| 9. Dick Watson | lazy but happy | "Wait a minute now." | doing nothing | Fire Ball Mail |
| 10. Doris Bullington | neat | "Oh, shut up!" | whispering | I'd Be Lost Without You |
| 11. Belvodean Crocker | studious | "Yeah—" | reading | And Then It's Heaven |
| 12. Glenda Davidson | attractive | "I don't know." | writing to Howell | For Sentimental Reasons |
| 13. Jo Elmore | talented | "Is that right?!!" | dating | Night and Day |
| 14. Bette Jones | bored | "How yall?" | drinking coffee | Temptation |
| 15. Shirley Kidd | loud | "Oh, heck!!" | writing to Lennie | Because |
| 16. Clara Lewis | sweet | "Fudge" | writing notes | Blue Skies |
| 17. Ruth Martin | bashful | "You don't say—" | singing | Rainbow at Midnight |
| 18. Shirley McGhee | talkative | "Holy cow!" | EDWARDS' SHOP—get it? | Till The End of Time |
| 19. Dorothy Motley | happy | "Well, Lawd—" | driving | Sonata |
| 20. Gracie Motley | friendly | "Phooey" | eating | I'm Glad I Waited For You |
| 21. Marie Osborne | unconcerned | "That's tough" | typing | Boogie Woogie |
| 22. Mildred Owen | dependable | "What! Were you there?" | being with Landon | Till The End of Time |
| 23. Betty Pigg | pretty | "All this and Heaven too!" | making wisecracks | Star Dust |
| 24. Betsy Riddle | jolly | "I know it." | writing letters | One More Tomorrow |
| 25. Tommy Seay | modest | "Good-night." | practicing music | Rhapsody In Blue |
| 26. Billie Anne Shorter | in love | "I don't know!" | writing to Bill | I'd Be Lost Without You |
| 27. Donna Spear | witty | "What's it to ya?" | being with Billy | To Each His Own |
| 28. Phebe Towler | polite | "It all depends—" | giggling | The Gypsy |



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MOTTO: "Hitch Your Wagon To A Star."



JOHNNY MARILLA



GLENN GILES



MAYNARD RIDDLE



ANN HODGES



BETSY FOX



CORA AMY EAST



LA RUE CARTER



KATHRYN BISHOP



ELIZABETH ADAMS

Junior Class



WALTER CRADDOCK



LOUISE HUFFMAN



JACKIE INMAN



ANN MARION



ELEANOR MOTLEY



NANCY MOTLEY



GILBERT HAYDEN



LELIA MOTLEY



MARGARET NEAL



MARTHA MUSTAIN



JAY PIGG



VIOLET OWEN



ALICE SPEAR



JANE SELF

NOT PICTURED

JOYCE MCGHEE
ANN SMITH
HOMER HAYMES
LUKE HUBBARD
BILLY OVERBEY

Sophomore Class

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MOTTO: "*Not For Self But For Others.*"



CHARLOTTE HALL



RYLAND SHELTON



EARL DALTON



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MARIE DAVIDSON



GERALD HALL

Sophomore Class



BOBBY HARRIS



LILLIAN GEORGE



PATSY HAYMES



BILLIE ANN LOWE



BETTY MOTLEY



ARTHUR MARILLA



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VELMA DEEN NUCKOLS



NANCY REED



NANCY LEE SHELTON



HELEN SOURS



PAGE WATSON

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ALGY ANDERSON

LEONARD CROCKER

BILLY JOE YEAGER

BETTY BEAMER

MALISSA BETTERTON

HILDA WALKER



DALE SHIELDS

Freshmen Class

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MOTTO: "The elevator to success is not running; we shall take the stairs."



JAMES DALTON



IRIS MCGHEE



JOANNE UTLEY



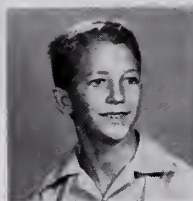
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PHYLLIS CRIDER



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MARIE HUGHES



DELMA ANN MOTLEY



ELIZABETH ANDERSON



THOMAS EASLEY

NOT PICTURED

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| BENNETT MOTLEY | DOROTHY EANES |
| JACK SHELTON | JOSEPHINE HALL |
| BERKLEY SWITZERLETT | REBECCA RIGNEY |
| JOE THOMAS | PAULINE ROWLAND |
| CARL LEWIS | FRANCES TAYLOR |
| STUART SHELTON | BEULAH WALKER |
| PEGGY JENNINGS | |

I had the craziest dream that . . .

- 1—Mr. Myers forgot to ring the morning bell;
- 2—Miss Shelton had enough time to help us;
- 3—Miss Crews forgot to do her job well;
- 4—Mr. Lynch didn't think he had the dope on someone;
- 5—Mrs. de Ponceau wasn't talented;
- 6—Mrs. Bryant lost her love for Home Economics;
- 7—Mrs. Crews didn't look attractive;
- 8—Mr. Norman wasn't "shooting the bull;"
- 9—Mrs. Tune couldn't conjugate "amo;"
- 10—Billy Overbey behaved himself in study-hall;
- 11—Alice Spear forgot to laugh;
- 12—Jackie Inman weighed 95 pounds;
- 13—Arthur Marilla passed Biology;
- 14—Jane Self was serious;
- 15—Elizabeth Adams acted sensible;
- 16—Eleanor Motley lost her athletic ability;
- 17—Nancy Reed left her dignity at home;
- 18—Phyllis Crider had quiet ways;
- 19—Walter Craddock did not study;
- 20—Carl Lewis was wide awake;
- 21—Page Watson wasn't cute;
- 22—Virginia Bullington spoke;
- 23—Ann Marion graduated in '47;
- 24—Onyx Crider wasn't loved by everyone;
- 25—Marie Davidson lost Lillian George;
- 26—Patsy Haymes didn't look nice;
- 27—Charlotte Hall wasn't up to some mischief;
- 28—Betsy Fox changed;
- 29—Martha Mustain didn't giggle at Jane Self;
- 30—Jay Pigg's voice changed;
- 31—Joyce McGhee gave in to Mrs. Tune;
- 32—Rebecca Rigney was 6 feet tall;
- 33—Betty Jane Motley had black hair;
- 34—Marie Hughes abandoned her interest in H.M.A.;
- 35—Oscar wasn't helping someone;
- 36—Johnny Marilla had no girl;
- 37—Louise Huffman needed vitamin pills;
- 38—Elizabeth Anderson was not hungry;
- 39—Jo Hall lost her voice;
- 40—Luke Hubbard sat up straight in class.

BETTY PIGG
SHIRLEY MCGHEE

GLEE CLUB

"I listened, motionless and still
And, as I mounted up the hill,
The music in my heart I bore,
Long after it was heard no more."

—WORDSWORTH.



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| GLENDA DAVIDSON | MARY KEEN OLIVER | ROSA KENT BISHOP | BETTE MOTLEY | LARUE CARTER |
| ANN MARION | MILDRED JANE OWEN | TOMMIE SEAY | BETSY RIDDLE | ANNE SMITH |
| DOTTEE MOTLEY | JOANNE UTLEY | JANICE GEYER | BETTE JONES | ELEANOR MOTLEY |

PUBLIC APPEARANCES 1946-1947

OCTOBER 24—County Teachers' Meeting

DECEMBER 9—P. T. A.

DECEMBER 15—Christmas Festival

DECEMBER 19—Rotary Club

DECEMBER 20—Chapel Program

DECEMBER 22—"The Messiah"

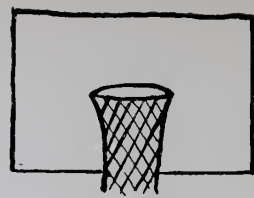
MAY 2—Chapel Program

MAY 9—Spring Festival

MAY 29—Class Night

MAY 30—Graduation

BASKETBALL TEAM



Chatham High School's Blue Demons started their basketball practice November 15, under the direction of Coach Tom Self, who had just returned from military service and who had coached the team previously. The starting five were Herman Gatewood and Carl Lewis, forwards; Clyde Boswell, center; and Dick Watson and Shirley Hedrick, guards. The team expected a successful season with four returning lettermen: Boswell, Watson, Hedrick, and Gatewood. Dick Watson was chosen captain and Jay Pigg, manager. Substitutes who saw action this year were Page Watson, James Dalton, Earl Dalton, Luke Hubbard, Algy Anderson, Henry Sours, and Ryland Shelton.

In the county tournament at Dan River High School the Blue Demons defeated Brosville High and Dan River, but lost to Schoolfield for the Pittsylvania County Championship, 31 to 22.

High scorers for the season were Clyde Boswell, with 223 points; Shirley Hedrick, 153; Dick Watson, 93; Herman Gatewood, 87 points; and Carl Lewis, 25. Credit is due Tom Self and his assistant, George C. Lynch, for their excellent coaching. To them the team publicly expresses appreciation.



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| Blue Demons | 25 | Climax | 12 |
| Blue Demons | 28 | Climax | 20 |
| Blue Demons | 36 | Spring Garden | 46 |
| Blue Demons | 43 | Renan | 22 |
| Blue Demons | 54 | Callands | 17 |
| Blue Demons | 43 | Brosville | 16 |
| Blue Demons | 41 | Climax | 20 |
| Blue Demons | 24 | Dan River | 26 |
| Blue Demons | 34 | Callands | 24 |
| Blue Demons | 16 | Schoolfield | 36 |
| Blue Demons | 27 | Spring Garden | 48 |
| Blue Demons | 51 | Halifax | 11 |
| Blue Demons | 51 | Renan | 19 |
| Blue Demons | 25 | Gretna | 35 |

TOURNAMENT GAMES

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|-------------|----|-------------|----|
| Blue Demons | 43 | Brosville | 32 |
| Blue Demons | 39 | Dan River | 37 |
| Blue Demons | 22 | Schoolfield | 31 |



BASKETBALL TEAM



PLAYERS

Jo Elmore*, Betty Pigg*, Louise Huffman*, Shirley McGhee*, Alice Spear*, Martha Mustain*, Bette Jones*, Margaret Neal*, Charlotte Hall*, Jane Self*, Iris McGhee, Melissa Betterton, Elizabeth Adams, Phyllis Crider, Hazel Lewis, Lelia Motley, Jackie Inman, and Jo Hall.

Preparations for the girls' basketball team began in November with Miss Margaret Crews as coach; Jo Elmore and Shirley McGhee as Co-Captains; and Joyce McGhee as manager.

The season opened with high hopes of many victories. However, misfortune among team members caused the loss of several games.

To Miss Crews for her fine coaching and personal interest, we say "Thank you".

SCHEDULE

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| Chatham 40 | Climax 20 |
| Chatham 10 | Climax 10 |
| Chatham 21 | Spring Garden 42 |
| Chatham 18 | Renan 36 |
| Chatham 31 | Brosville 16 |
| Chatham 19 | Climax 19 |
| Chatham 17 | Dan River 50 |
| Chatham 23 | Callands 24 |
| Chatham 21 | Schoolfield 22 |
| Chatham 19 | Spring Garden 36 |
| Chatham 18 | Halifax 4 |
| Chatham 15 | Renan 30 |
| Chatham 24 | Gretna 37 |
| Chatham 14 | Gretna 31 |

*Team members who won Varsity Letters.

Bette Jones and Margaret Neal are not in the picture.



4-H CLUB



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| PEGGY HILL | ROXIE TAYLOR | DOROTHEA WHITE | HAZEL LEWIS |
| JO HALL | PHYLLIS CRIDER | JANE SELF | BILLY JOE YEAGER |
| MAYNARD RIDDLE | VIRGINIA DAVIS | MARTHA MUSTAIN | CHARLIE CRADDOCK |
| BETSY RIDDLE | LOU ANNIE BAUGH | EVERETT OWEN | ONYX CRIDER |
| JAY PIGG | DELMA ANN MOTLEY | BENNETT MOTLEY | EDWIN SHIELDS |
| JOHN GILBERT MITCHELL | | | |

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|--------------------|---------|--------------------------------|
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| JO HALL | | <i>Reporter</i> |
| PEGGY HILL | | <i>Song Leader</i> |
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The purpose of the 4-H Club is to develop useful citizens through the training of:

HEADS, for power
HEARTS, for nobleness
HANDS, for usefulness
HEALTH, for strength

Ideals to which members dedicate their efforts are:

Citizenship, respect for country and people, and personal development.

Hi-Y CLUB



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|----------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------|
| KATHRYN BISHOP | SHIRLEY MCGHEE | NANCY REED | JOYCE MCGHEE |
| TOMMIE SEAY | MILDRED OWEN | ROSA KENT BISHOP | MARTHA MUSTAIN |
| DONNA SPEAR | JANICE GEYER | CHARLOTTE HALL | LELIA MOTLEY |
| JO ELMORE | IRIS MCGHEE | ANN SMITH | ALICE SPEAR |
| MISS CREWS | PATSY HAYMES | BILLIE ANNE SHORTER | *MARGARET NEAL |

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| KATHRYN BISHOP | <i>Secretary</i> |
| TOMMIE SEAY | <i>Treasurer</i> |
| MILDRED JANE OWEN | <i>News Reporter</i> |
| SHIRLEY MCGHEE | <i>Program Chairman</i> |

The purpose of the Girls' Hi-Y Club is to create, maintain, and extend throughout the home, school, and community, *high standards of Christian character.*

The club has accomplished several worthwhile projects this year. Noteworthy among these projects has been the sponsoring of monthly chapel programs and home room morning devotions.

The present Hi-Y Club of twenty members is a continuation of the club which Mrs. Erma Cocke organized in 1941.

*Not pictured.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR



CLIMAX GLEE CLUB



SCHOOLFIELD GLEE CLUB



Scenes from the Christmas Music Festival directed by Mrs. Arthur de Ponceau, in which ten high school glee clubs sang their Merry Christmas to the county in a crowded auditorium at Chatham High School, Sunday, December 15.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR



Everybody had a wonderful time at the Seniors' Harvest Festival, Saturday night, November 2. Proceeds from this Festival and other minor sources have been used for the publication of *THE CHAT*. Betsy Riddle, Gracie Motley, Billie Anne Shorter and Tommie Seay are the smiling attendants pictured above, at the food stand where cokes, hot dogs and other delicacies were plentiful. Varied entertainment furnished an evening complete with dancing, Bingo, dart-throwing, autioneering, and the choice of Betty Pigg as "Miss Chatham High School."



Students taking time out for lunch on the Chatham High School ball grounds between vocational discussions during the morning, and the principal address by Dr. Albert Buchanan in the afternoon at Guidance Day on Friday, November 8. The second annual program arranged for county seniors by the Pittsylvania Citizenship League and the County Principals' Association, is one of the first of its kind in the nation and has attracted the attention of leaders in other counties and cities.

Things We Won't Forget . . .

"It's easy to remember . . . and so hard to forget . . . This is the main subject of our thoughts now . . . and so it will be as the years go on. We can't forget . . . our friends . . . dances . . . walking around the halls . . . unexcused absences . . . sports . . . wondering whether "he" or "she" still likes you . . . club meetings . . . home work and our report cards . . . mice in the closets . . . paper on the lawn . . . our home rooms . . . the office . . . going to school and going home . . . "Bull sessions" . . . nicknames . . . assemblies . . . "John L. Lewis" . . . worrying over our tests . . . and getting the answers from somebody who had just copied them . . . getting "kicked" out of the library . . . working on THE CHAT . . . dates . . . getting up early in the morning . . . the funny smells coming from the Chemistry classes . . . and the fragrant odors coming from the Home Economics room . . . "MacBeth" . . . and oh! those love notes . . . the other kind too . . . chewing gum . . . basketball trips . . . the Banquet . . . all our teachers, God bless them . . . these and many more things we won't forget because we have loved them . . . and the school spirit that unites us as one will always be in our hearts.

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